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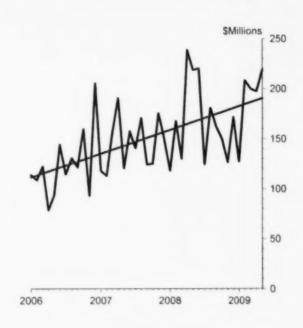
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### Exports • May 2009

- □ Over the first five months of 2009, British Columbia origin exports were down 18.7% from the same period a year earlier. Shipments to BC's largest trading partner, the United States, slumped 25.8%. Exports to the European Union were 28.7% off of last year's pace and shipments to Japan fell 13.5%. One bright spot was exports to Mainland China, which climbed 8.9%.
- □ The forest sector is one of the main contributors to the decline in the value of exports. Both shipments of solid wood (-26.4%) and pulp and paper products (-26.2%) have fallen dramatically over the first five months of 2009, compared to January to May 2008. A slump in demand for building products in the United States is one of the main reasons for the decline in shipments of wood products. Pulp (-34.9%) was responsible for most of the drop in overall pulp and paper exports, although shipments of newsprint (-12.6%) and other paper and paperboard (-10.7%) also fell.
- □ Metal exports were also well down over the first five months of 2009, with shipments of metallic mineral exports plunging 38.2% and exports of fabricated metal products dropping 28.1%. Exports of copper ores and concentrates (-30.1%), molybdenum ores and concentrates (-56.6%), unwrought aluminum (-29.3%), unwrought zinc (-46.4%) and other metallic minerals (-37.3%) have all experienced substantial declines as the global economic slowdown has affected demand for these goods.
- Another significant export from BC, machinery and equipment, also experienced a large

- decline in shipments (-15.2%), led by a 41.6% slump in shipments of motor vehicles and parts.
- □ Exports of energy products, which were the one bright spot earlier in the year, have now joined the pack with a 7.8% drop year-to-date to May. A 47.8% slump in coal shipments in May, compared to the same month last year, is the reason for the turnaround, although year-to-date exports of coal are still 21.4% higher than in the first five months of 2008. The drop in May reflects new contract prices for coal, which are well down from 2008, although they remain the second highest price levels ever. Elsewhere in the energy sector, exports of both electricity (-46.5%) and natural gas (-29.3%) have dropped significantly.

Mainland China is one of the few destinations to which BC exports have been trending up

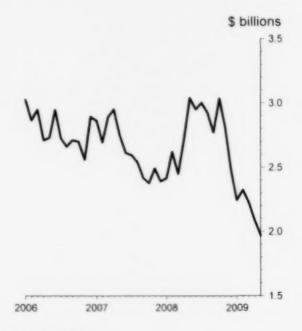


#### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED EXPORTS

Seasonal adjustment supplies a means of making month-to-month comparisons by removing the regular periodic seasonal fluctuations that occur. Variations from normal seasonal patterns are revealed in the seasonally adjusted data series.

- □ BC exports continue to slump as May marked the first time since 1996 that the monthly value of exports was below \$2 billion. Exports fell 5.7%, driven down mainly by a 12.4% plunge in energy product exports and a 5.1% drop in shipments of forest products. Machinery, equipment and automobiles bucked the trend with exports rising 2.1%.
- □ All the decline was in shipments overseas (-13.6%) as exports to the US actually climbed 1.8%, mainly on the strength of a 7.4% jump in energy product exports.

#### Exports (adjusted for seasonality) continued to trend down in May



#### BC Exports, Seasonally Adjusted (\$Millions)

Month	Agriculture &	Energy	Forest	Machinery&	Industrial,	Total	Exports to
	Fish		Products	Equip, Auto	Consumer		USA
May 2007	191	572	1,019	336	633	2,750	1,626
Jun	182	493	1,017	346	574	2,613	1,614
Jul	173	521	957	347	595	2,594	1,594
Aug	181	485	991	342	541	2,539	1,555
Sep	189	462	817	356	592	2,416	1,483
Oct	169	489	847	325	545	2,376	1,433
Nov	170	502	861	339	619	2,490	1,440
Dec	181	475	851	317	566	2,390	1,421
Jan 2008	182	489	822	337	583	2,414	1,386
Feb	199	564	876	332	648	2,619	1,511
Mar	179	596	792	327	555	2,448	1,500
Apr	193	755	821	323	620	2,712	1,548
May	189	863	863	326	798	3,038	1,428
Jun	185	967	787	325	688	2,951	1,521
Jul	183	1.077	812	325	603	3,000	1,634
Aug	196	850	752	342	783	2,924	1,411
Sep	200	838	803	319	612	2,772	1,376
Oct	221	995	829	350	639	3,034	1,567
Nov	205	919	739	348	599	2,809	1,450
Dec	203	788	696	323	467	2,477	1,305
Jan 2009	209	626	637	306	467	2,245	1,258
Feb	214	706	633	286	483	2,322	1,224
Mar	205	607	602	272	538	2,225	1,122
Apr	198	572	605	271	439	2,086	1,077
May	195	501	575	276	420	1,968	1,096

### Trade with the Other Americas

Over the last several years, Canada has been engaged in developing stronger ties within the Americas, including not only North America, but also the Caribbean, Central America and South America. This commitment was articulated by Prime Minister Harper back in July 2007 when he stated, "Canada's government has made it clear that re-engagement in the Americas is a critical international priority for our country...Canada is committed to playing a bigger role in the Americas and to doing so for the long term."

The larger role for Canada includes deeper trade ties with its hemispheric neighbours. To this end, Canada has been included in efforts to develop a Free Trade Area of the Americas, which would encompass most of the Western Hemisphere, with the notable exception of Cuba. Negotiations for this accord have stalled and given the difficulties inherent in coming to an agreement with such a large number of nations, many countries in the region have negotiated smaller agreements among themselves. Canada itself has been actively involved in negotiations with several countries in the Americas. It is currently working on deals with the CARICOM nations,<sup>2</sup> the Central American Four

countries,<sup>3</sup> the Dominican Republic and Panama and has reached agreements in principle on free trade with both Peru and Colombia. The deal with Peru has been adopted by Parliament and received Royal Assent, while the Colombia trade agreement is still before Parliament.

While the agreement with Peru has been met with little resistance (although there have been some violent demonstrations in Peru against a possible United States-Peru free trade agreement), the same cannot be said about the potential deal with Colombia. There have been a number of groups that have raised objections to such a deal on the basis of the flagrant abuses of human rights that have occurred in recent years in Colombia, particularly the persecution and murder of many union leaders. They argue that Canada should not enter into a free trade agreement until Colombia has committed itself to protecting human rights.

The opposing viewpoint was fairly clearly expressed by Prime Minister Harper when he said, "While there is no denying that Colombians continue to live with serious security challenges, the improvements we have seen over the last several years gives us much reason for optimism...Deepening both economic and political engagement between our countries is the best way Canadians can support the citizens of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Quoted on the Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada website: http://geo.international.gc.ca/cip-pic/geo/americas-report\_ameriques-rapport-en.aspx

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The CARICOM (Caribbean Community) consists of 15 nations: Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Montserrat, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, and Trinidad and Tobago.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Central American Four countries are El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua.

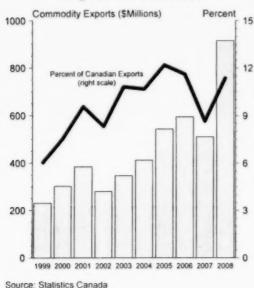
<sup>4</sup> These groups include the Canadian Labour Congress, CUPE and other trade unions, various church groups, among others.

Colombia in their efforts to create a safer and more prosperous democracy."5

In other words, the idea is that the best way to foster democracy and freedom is to enhance ties, thereby giving Canada more leverage to push for improvements in human rights conditions. In addition, free trade would theoretically bring economic improvements to Colombia, which would reduce poverty and remove much of the incentive to engage in illegal activities, such as the drug trade.

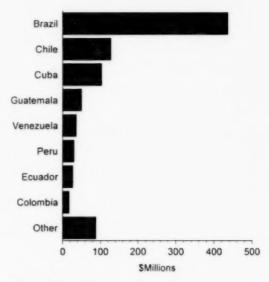
Canada already has free trade deals with two countries in the "other Americas" (i.e., excluding North America): Chile and Costa Rica. If the other deals in the works come to fruition, Canada will have moved a long way toward having free trade with most of the Western Hemisphere.

BC's exports to the other Americas has been rising over the last decade



Canada's current trade with the other Americas is still fairly small. Less than two percent of Canada's commodity exports were shipped to that region in 2008. For British Columbia, the share was slightly higher, at just under three percent. However, the 2008 figure was substantially higher than the value of merchandise exports from a year earlier. The value of Canadian exports to the other Americas jumped 36% between 2007 and 2008, while BC's exports climbed 79%. BC's exports to the region have been rising over the last decade, but the leap in 2008 dwarfed all other annual increases in the last ten years.

Brazil was the destination for almost half of BC's exports to the other Americas in 2008



Source: Statistics Canada

More than half of the year-over-year increase was in shipments to Brazil. Both British Columbia and Canada as a whole saw their exports to Brazil soar in 2008, with Canadian shipments to that country climbing 78% and BC's exports to Brazil more than doubling (+117%) to approximately \$436 million. That was almost half (48%)

<sup>5</sup> http://pm.gc.ca/eng/media.asp?id=2321

of the total value of BC's exports to the other Americas in 2008.

Most of the increase in shipments from BC to Brazil between 2007 and 2008 was in the form of either coal or sulphur. For Canada as a whole there were also significant increments in shipments of fertilizers, newsprint, iron and wheat. These goods also represented the top goods shipped to Brazil from BC and Canada. In fact, for BC, coal made up 79% of all goods shipped to Brazil in 2008, with sulphur comprising a further 15%. Canada's exports were somewhat more diversified, but four goods (fertilizer, coal, sulphur and newsprint) made up over half of all Canadian commodity exports to Brazil.

Top Five Destinations for BC Exports in the Other Americas, 2008

Country	\$Cdn	% of BC Exports to
	Millions	Other Americas
Brazil	435.5	48
Chile	126.9	14
Cuba	102.4	11
Guatemala	50.7	6
Venezuela	36.4	4
Total	915.4	100

Top Five Destinations for Canadian Exports in the Other Americas, 2008

Country	\$Cdn Millions	% of Canadian Export to Other Americas				
Brazil	2,499.0	31				
Venezuela	804.6	10				
Chile	675.5	8				
Colombia	642.4	8				
Cuba	616.6	8				
Total	8,049.4	100				

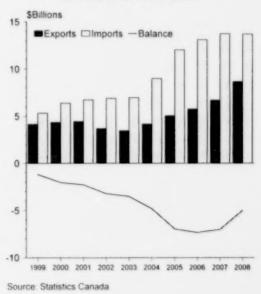
After Brazil, Chile was the next most significant destination for BC exports to the other Americas in 2008. Chile is also a significant recipient

of service exports from BC and the rest of Canada, particularly services related to the mining industry.

Cuba ranked third as a destination for BC goods exports to the other Americas in 2008 and fifth as a destination for Canadian exports. Despite Cuba's relative importance as a trade partner in this region, it is usually shunned in terms of free trade discussions. This is generally due to the hostility between Cuba and the United States and the current embargo on trade between those two nations.

Canada's two-way commodity trade with the other Americas in 2008 amounted to just under \$22.4 billion, which is a fraction of Canada's two-way trade with the United States (\$602.5 billion). Nevertheless, the region offers promise as a more significant trade partner in the future.

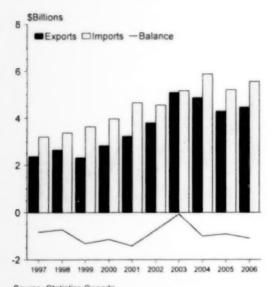
Canada has a deficit in trade in goods with the other Americas...



Canada currently has a trade deficit with the other Americas, both in goods and services. The deficit in goods was over \$5 billion in 2008,

which is a significant drop from a year earlier when it stood at \$7 billion. The deficit in trade in services stood at just over a billion dollars in 2006, the last year for which such data are available.

and also a deficit in trade in services



Source: Statistics Canada

The strong growth in both exports and imports over the last few years reflects Canada's commitment to make the Americas more of a priority. Given the new free trade agreement with Peru and the likelihood that the Colombia deal will soon be ratified by Parliament, and given the other free trade discussions underway with other nations of the Americas, this region could be one of growth in terms of trade with both BC and the rest of Canada.

### Recent Feature Articles in Exports Release Listed by Statistical Reference Date of Issue

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09-03	British Columbia's Trade Balance Tipped in Favour of Imports (released May 2009)	08-01	BC Commodity Exports: Year in Review 2007 (released March 2008)
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08-09	BC's Trade in High Technology Goods (released November 2008)	07-07	Canada Weighs Anchor on Free Trade with EFTA (released September 2007)
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#### NOTES

# Countries Included Within World Regions:

- (1) Western Europe: United Kingdom, Ireland, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland.
- (2) Eastern Europe: other Europe, including all of Russia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, etc.
- (3) South East Asia: Malaysia, Brunei Darussalam, Singapore, Myanmar, Kampuchea, Laos, Indonesia, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam.
- (4) Africa: continental Africa, excluding Ethiopia, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Egypt.
- (5) South America: continental South America from Colombia and Venezuela south to Chile and Argentina, including offshore islands, but not Caribbean.
- **(6) Central America and Caribbean:** from Guatemala and Belize to Panama, plus Caribbean Islands.
- (7) Pacific Rim (including Japan):
  Japan, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Brunei Darussalam, Singapore, Laos, Mongolia, China, Indonesia, North Korea, South Korea, Philippines, Macau, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam, Australia, Fiji, New Zealand.
- (8) Pacific Rim: as above, but excluding Japan.
- (9) Middle East: from Turkey and Iran south through the Arabian Peninsula. Excluding Afghanistan and Pakistan, but including Cyprus, Ethiopia, Egypt, Somalia, Sudan and Libya.

The European Union is the membership as of January 1, 2007: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania,

Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom.

'Selected Value-added Wood Products' category includes prefabricated houses, doors, windows, furniture, moulding, siding, etc. It does not include panel products, shakes, shingles or any pulp and paper products.

#### Revisions

Statistics Canada revises trade data for the previous three data years with release of the December data. The revision number is indicated in the footer of the tables (e.g., Rev 1 is the first annual revision, etc., and Prelim indicates it is the first release of data to December for that year). In addition to annual revisions, Statistics Canada revises the data for the previous data year every quarter (indicated in the footer by Rev Q1, etc) as well as with the release of the January and February data.

# Service Offered for Detailed Trade Statistics

For BC government statistics users requiring more detailed information on exports or imports, a special report service is offered through the address below:

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This service is provided through the Trade Research and Inquiry Package (TRIP) computer reporting system. TRIP offers user-defined tabulations of export or import statistics for BC, Canada, the United States and other countries. Tabulations can include information on commodities, countries, US states, years, months, mode of transport, etc.

#### **B.C. ORIGIN EXPORTS TO SELECTED DESTINATIONS**

	MAY		YEAR-TO-DATE			ANNUAL			
	2008	2009	CHANGE	2008	2009	CHANGE	2006	2007	2008
			2008-09			2008-09			
	VALUES	(\$,000)	(%)	VALUES	(\$,000)	(%)	VA	LUES (\$,00	0)
United Kingdom	28,338	37,025	30.7%	169,446	101,394	-40.2%	386,230	401,294	405,125
Germany	27,106	8,297	-69.4%	144,568	92,479	-36 0%	446,919	463,521	516,006
People's Republic of China	218,771	218,688	0.0%	873,202	951,273	8.9%	1,485,885	1.742.507	2,008,429
Hong Kong	24,841	13,826	-44,3%	99,891	90,815	-9.1%	199.209	166,501	236,041
Taiwan	53,518	40,071	-25,1%	209,324	189,226	-9.6%	520,727	462,412	598,174
Japan	569,494	239,597	-57 9%	1,732,999	1,498,338	-13 5%	4,709,846	4,134,605	5,022,442
South Korea	301,346	78,333	-74 0%	671.963	645.013	-4.0%	1,364,552	1,307,768	1,960,294
India	7,162	3,165	-55.8%	34,321	14,290	-58.4%	345,944	234,038	158,601
Australia	12,537	16.651	32.8%	84,175	68,749	-16.3%	171,503	223,518	217,519
Mexico	32,342	14,838	-54.1%	94,449	51,739	-45 2%	185,277	195,764	339,774
United States	1,429,090	1,097,360	-23 2%	7,241,300	5.634.874	-22 2%	20,518,244	19.090,632	
other	364.637	230,439	-36 8%	1,475,336	1.095.092	-25.8%	3,136,549	3,137,938	17,635,849
Total International Exports	3,069,182	1,998,290	-34.9%						4,101,072
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1) Western Europe	1 190,173	117,936	-38.0%	927,002	666,095	-28 1%	2.263.322	2.294,726	2,583,542
2) Eastern Europe	6,744	7,358	9.1%	55,516	38,053	-31.5%	115.992	174,189	191,459
3) South East Asia	43,599	25,357	-41.8%	237,037	165.499	-30 2%	523,622	520,728	563,671
4) Africa (exc. Egypt & Mid-East)	13,608	5,585	-59 0%	47,753	36,817	-22 9%	57,498	72.065	157,821
5) South America	62,219	43,698	-29.8%	214,576	128,676	-40.0%	480.787	405,177	701,149
6) Cent. Amer. & Caribb. (exc. Mex.)	20,798	5,321	-74.4%	67.680	36,729	-45.7%	114,165	105,866	
7) Pacific Rim (including Japan)	1.231,113	635,130	-48.4%	3.945,427	3 632 273	-7 9%	9.038.027	8,625,637	214,261
8) Pacific Rim (excluding Japan)	661,619	395 532	-40.2%	2.212.428	2 133 935	-3 5%	4,328,182		10,706,895
9) Middle East	54,817	53,041	-3 2%	158,281	153,139	-3.2%	296,122	4,491,032 280,130	5,684,453 413,388
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United Kingdom	0.9%	1.9%		1.3%	1.0%		1.2%	1.3%	1.2%
Germany	0.9%	0.4%		1.1%	0.9%		1.3%	1.5%	1.6%
People's Republic of China	7 1%	10.9%		6.8%	9.1%		4.4%	5.5%	6.0%
Hong Kong	0.8%	0.7%		0.8%	0.9%		0.6%	0.5%	0.7%
Taiwan	1.7%	2.0%		1.6%	1.8%		1.6%	1.5%	1.8%
Japan	18 6%	12.0%		13.5%	14.4%		14.1%	13.1%	15.1%
South Korea	9.8%	3.9%		5 2%	6.2%		4.1%	4.1%	5.9%
India	0 2%	0 2%		0.3%	0.1%		1.0%	0.7%	0.5%
Australia	0.4%	0.8%		0.7%	0.7%		0.5%	0.7%	0.7%
Mexico	1.1%	0.7%		0.7%	0.5%		0.6%	0 6%	1.0%
United States	46 6%	54 9%		56.4%	54 0%		61.3%	60.5%	53.1%
other	11.9%	11 5%		11.5%	10.5%		9.4%	9.9%	12.4%
Total International Exports	100.0%	100.0%	1	100.0%	100.0%		100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
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1) Western Europe	6.2%	5 9%		7.2%	6.4%		6 8%	7.3%	7.8%
2) Eastern Europe	0.2%	0.4%		0.4%	0.4%		0.3%	0.6%	0.6%
3) South East Asia	1.4%	1.3%		1 8%	1 6%		1 6%	1.6%	1.7%
4) Africa (exc. Egypt & Mid-East)	0.4%	0.3%		0.4%	0.4%		0 2%	0.2%	0.5%
5) South America	2.0%	2 2%		1.7%	1.2%		1.4%	1.3%	2.1%
6) Cent. Amer. & Caribb. (exc. Mex.)	0.7%	0 3%		0.5%	0.4%		0.3%	0.3%	0.6%
7) Pacific Rim (including Japan)	40.1%	31.8%		30 7%	34.8%		27.0%	27.3%	32.3%
8) Pacific Rim (excluding Japan)	21 6%	19.8%		17.2%	20 5%		12.9%	14.2%	17.1%
9) Middle East	1.8%	2 7%		1.2%	1 5%		0 9%	0.9%	1.2%

See attached NOTES for countries within listed regions.

## B.C. ORIGIN EXPORTS to ALL COUNTRIES - SELECTED COMMODITIES -

		MAY			YEAR	TO-DATE			
			CHANGE			CHANGE	SH	ARE	
	2008	2009	2008-09	2008	2009	2008-09	2008	2009	
	(\$,000)	(\$,000)	(%)	(\$,000)	(\$,000)	(%)	(%)	(%)	
SOLID WOOD PRODUCTS	511,137	338,400	-33.8%	2,267,149	1,667,508	-26.4%	17.7%	16.0%	
Lumber (softwood)	333,261	225,895	-32.2%	1,502,331	1,087,581	-27.6%	11.7%	10.4%	
Cedar Shakes and Shingles	20,474	12,139	-40.7%	85,970	51,929	-39.6%	0.7%	0.5%	
Plywood and Veneer (softwood)	16,460	10,942	-33.5%	85,535	55,892	-34.7%	0.7%	0.5%	
Other Panel Products	39,688	27,551	-30.6%	167,675	126,991	-24.3%	1.3%	1.2%	
Selected Value Added Wood Products	50,004	36,510	-27.0%	227,894	163,438	-28.3%	1.8%	1.6%	
Logs	29,664	10,470	-64.7%	109,505	95,513	-12.8%	0.9%	0.9%	
Other	21,586	14,893	-31.0%	88,240	86,164	-2.4%	0.7%	0.8%	
PULP AND PAPER PRODUCTS	421,260	293,455	-30.3%	2,057,134	1,518,653	-26.2%	16.0%	14.6%	
Pulp	267,987	175,785	-34.4%	1,336,916	869,707	-34.9%	10.4%	8.3%	
Newsprint	31,733	23,973	-24.5%	135,251	118,153	-12.6%	1.1%	1.1%	
Paper, Paperboard - exc. Newsprint	108,757	79,010	-27.4%	518,512	462,955	-10.7%	4.0%	4.4%	
Other	12,784	14,686	14.9%	66,455	67,837	2.1%	0.5%	0.7%	
AGRICULTURE AND FOOD OTHER THAN FISH	132,375	129,027	-2.5%	580,947	623,873	7.4%	4.5%	6.0%	
Fruit and Nuts	7,906	5,322	-32.7%	50,974	38,689	-24.1%	0.4%	0.4%	
Vegetables	27,225	24,203	-11.1%	67,535	63,296	-6.3%	0.5%	0.6%	
Other	97,244	99,502	2.3%	462,438	521,889	12.9%	3.6%	5.0%	
FISH PRODUCTS	85,047	88,009	3.5%	314,837	340,287	8.1%	2.5%	3.3%	
Whole Fish; Fresh, Ch'd, Froz. exc Salmon	10,157	9,720	-4.3%	37,597	37,530	-0.2%	0.3%	0.4%	
Whole Salmon; Fresh, Chilled, Frozen	31,508	35,749	13.5%	141,024	171,457	21.6%	1,1%	1.6%	
Salmon; Fillets, Canned, Smoked, etc.	3,735	1,859	-50.2%	19,535	11,751	-39.8%	0.2%	0.1%	
Other	39,647	40,681	2.6%	116,681	119,548	2.5%	0.9%	1.1%	
METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS	414,356	154,918	-62.6%	1,403,839	867,088	-38.2%	10.9%	8.3%	
Copper Ores and Concentrates	198,058	57,257	-71.1%	445,840	311,589	-30.1%	3.5%	3.0%	
Molybdenum Ores and Concentrates	58,750	17,638	-70.0%	208,252	90,432	-56.6%	1.6%	0.9%	
Unwrought Aluminum	79,342	25,183	-68.3%	271,116	191,550	-29.3%	2.1%	1.8%	
Unwrought Zinc	50,997	32,763	-35.8%	291,112	155,909	-46.4%	2.3%	1.5%	
Other	27,210	22,077	-18.9%	187,519	117,608	-37.3%	1.5%	1.1%	
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	112,123	72,696	-35.2%	509,612	366,488	-28.1%	4.0%	3.5%	
ENERGY PRODUCTS	845,873	492,900	-41.7%	3,149,597	2,903,960	-7.8%	24.5%	27.8%	
Natural Gas	208,778	161,275	-22.8%	1,331,074	940,686	-29.3%	10.4%	9.0%	
Coal	544,983	284,597	-47.8%	1,418,043	1,721,978	21.4%	11.1%	16.5%	
Electricity	48,076	14,501	-69.8%	153,838	82,349	-46.5%	1.2%	0.8%	
Other	44,035	32,527	-26.1%	246,642	158,947	-35.6%	1.9%	1.5%	
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	283,783	241,626	-14.9%	1,382,998	1,172,166	-15.2%	10.8%	11.2%	
Motor Vehicles and Parts	25,110	13,439	-46.5%	150,065	87,658	-41.6%	1.2%	0.8%	
Electrical/Electronic/Communications	58,823	60,682	3.2%	295,254	276,234	-6.4%	2.3%	2.6%	
Scientific/Photographic/Measuring Equip., etc.	32,114	29,249	-8.9%	154,318	138,465	-10.3%	1.2%	1.3%	
Other	167,737	138,255	-17.6%	783,361	669,809	-14.5%	6.1%	6.4%	
PLASTICS AND ARTICLES OF PLASTIC	36,347	28,849	-20.6%	168,577	135,388	-19.7%	1.3%	1.3%	
CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	72,128	69,876	-3.1%	386,150	327,389	-15.2%	3.0%	3.1%	
APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES	6,740	4,174	-38.1%	45,020	32,805	-27.1%	0.4%	0.3%	
TEXTILES	3,837	3,738	-2.6%	19,465	20,892	7.3%	0.2%	0.2%	
ALL OTHER COMMODITIES	144,175	80,623	-44.1%	545,649	456,787	-16.3%	4.3%	4.4%	
GRAND TOTAL	3,069,182	1,998,290	-34.9%	12,830,974	10,433,284	-18.7%	100.0%	100.0%	

## B.C. ORIGIN EXPORTS to the U.S.A. – SELECTED COMMODITIES –

		MAY		YEAR-TO-DATE				
			CHANGE			CHANGE	SH	ARE
	2008 (\$,000)	2009 (\$,000)	2008-09 (%)	2008 (\$,000)	2009 (\$,000)	2008-09 (%)	2008 (%)	2009
SOLID WOOD PRODUCTS	320,516	215,009	-32.9%	1,500,145	1,012,026	-32.5%	20.7%	18.0%
Luraber (softwood)	197,410	131,640	-33.3%	942,827	609,096	-35.4%	13.0%	10.8%
Cedar Shakes and Shingles	18,138	11,426	-37.0%	77,089	47,743	-38.1%	1.1%	0.8%
Plywood and Veneer (softwood)	13,570	9,782	-27.9%	73,552	49,263	-33.0%	1.0%	0.9%
Other Panel Products	32,596	21,844	-33.0%	137,634	104,449	-24.1%	1.9%	1.9%
Selected Value Added Wood Products	43,646	30,127	-31.0%	200,279	141,635	-29.3%	2.8%	2.5%
Logs	6,349	3,323	-47.7%	32,020	23,011	-28.1%	0.4%	0.4%
Other	8,807	6,867	-22.0%	36,743	36,828	0.2%	0.5%	0.7%
PULP AND PAPER PRODUCTS	157,259	128,729	-18.1%	862,984	716,733	-16.9%	11.9%	12.7%
Pulp	51,081	41,557	-18.6%	344,685	226,031	-34.4%	4.8%	4.0%
Newsprint	18,621	14,800	-20.5%	78,928	73,119	-7.4%	1,1%	1.3%
Paper, Paperboard - exc. Newsprint	76,755	62,583	-18.5%	382,759	366,657	-4.2%	5.3%	6.5%
Other	10,801	9,789	-9.4%	56,613	50,925	-10.0%	0.8%	0.9%
AGRICULTURE AND FOOD OTHER THAN FISH	96,560	93,577	-3.1%	418,180	421,415	0.8%	5.8%	7.5%
Fruit and Nuts	6,803	4,049	-40.5%	42,055	31,464	-25 2%	0.6%	0.6%
Vegetables	27,161	23,541	-13.3%	66,911	61,869	-7.5%	0.9%	1,196
Other	62,596	65,987	5.4%	309,214	328,082	6.1%	4.3%	5.8%
FISH PRODUCTS	42,405	48,609	14.6%	186,734	224,137	20.0%	2.6%	4.0%
Whole Fish; Fresh, Ch'd, Froz. exc Salmon	4,218	3,977	-5.7%	17,450	15,376	-11.9%	0.2%	0.3%
Whole Salmon; Fresh, Chilled, Frozen	28,369	34,848	22.8%	126,803	163,932	29.3%	1.8%	2.9%
Salmon; Fillets, Canned, Smoked, etc.	53	61	15.7%	471	490	4.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	9,765	9,723	-0.4%	42,010	44,340	5.5%	0.6%	0.8%
METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS	85,359	41,721	-51.1%	459,612	218,487	-52.5%	6.3%	3.9%
Copper Ores and Concentrates	0	4,677	NA	0	5,504	NA	0.0%	0.1%
Molybdenum Ores and Concentrates	13,334	1,349	-89.9%	53,521	15,693	-70.7%	0.7%	0.3%
Unwrought Aluminum	8,468	1,668	-80.1%	37,384	26,328	-29.6%	0.5%	0.5%
Unwrought Zinc	44,182	23,601	-46.6%	243,737	120,962	-50.4%	3.4%	2.1%
Other	19,376	10,406	-46.3%	124,970	49,999	-60.0%	1.7%	0.9%
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	83,758	55,843	-33.3%	358,630	295,324	-17.7%	5.0%	5.2%
ENERGY PRODUCTS	303,883	205,911	-32.2%	1,700,499	1,176,142	-30.8%	23.5%	20.9%
Natural Gas	208,778	161,275	-22.8%	1,331,074	940,686	-29.3%	18.4%	16.7%
Coal	3,242	391	-87.9%	7,430	2,733	-63.2%	0.1%	0.0%
Electricity	48,076	14,501	-69.8%	153,838	82,349	-46.5%	2.1%	1.5%
Other	43,787	29,743	-32.1%	208,157	150,374	-27.8%	2.9%	2.7%
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	179,536	161,195	-10.2%	941,850	799,407	-15.1%	13.0%	14.2%
Motor Vehicles and Parts	21,569	9,421	-56.3%	132,671	64,416	-51.4%	1.8%	1.1%
Electrical/Electronic/Communications	36,921	42,104	14.0%	188,165	185,227	-1.6%	2.6%	3.3%
Scientific/Photographic/Measuring Equip., etc.	16,818	16,977	0.9%	85,189	81,307	-4.6%	1.2%	1.4%
Other	104,228	92,693	-11.1%	535,825	468,457	-12.6%	7.4%	8.3%
PLASTICS AND ARTICLES OF PLASTIC	32,388	25,813	-20.3%	147,715	119,134	-19.3%	2.0%	2.1%
CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	28,267	46,673	65.1%	182,302	210,295	15.4%	2.5%	3.7%
APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES	5,627	3,399	-39.6%	32,343	25,703	-20.5%	0.4%	0.5%
TEXTILES	1,391	1,465	5.3%	€,636	7,816	17.8%	0.1%	0.1%
ALL OTHER COMMODITIES	92,142	69,417	-24.7%	443,670	408,253	-8.0%	6.1%	7.2%
GRAND TOTAL	1,429,090	1,097,360	-23.2%	7,241,300	5,634,874	-22.2%	100.0%	100.0%

## B.C. ORIGIN EXPORTS to JAPAN - SELECTED COMMODITIES -

		MAY		YEAR-TO-DATE				
			CHANGE			CHANGE	SH	ARE
	2008	2009	2008-09	2008	2009	2008-09	2008	2009
	(\$,000)	(\$,000)	(%)	(\$,000)	(\$,000)	(%)	(%)	(%)
SOLID WOOD PRODUCTS	99,650	53,024	-46.8%	372,894	315,523	-15.4%	21.5%	21.1%
Lumber (softwood)	68,469	38,924	-43.2%	272,650	226,976	-16.8%	15.7%	15.1%
Cedar Shakes and Shingles	48	0	-100.0%	51	0	-100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Plywood and Veneer (softwood)	671	381	-43.2%	1,362	1,536	12.8%	0.1%	0.1%
Other Panel Products	5,441	3,483	-36.0%	18,404	14,883	-19.1%	1.1%	1.0%
Selected Value Added Wood Products	3,443	4,268	24.0%	14,587	14,635	0.3%	0.8%	1.0%
Logs	16,520	3,323	-79.9%	49,343	45,048	-8.7%	2.8%	3.0%
Other	5,057	2,645	-47.7%	16,497	12,445	-24.6%	1.0%	0.8%
PULP AND PAPER PRODUCTS	30,748	17,463	-43.2%	142,696	69,866	-51.0%	8.2%	4.7%
Pulp	29,487	15,975	-45.8%	137,290	64,151	-53.3%	7.9%	4.3%
Newsprint	278	553	99.1%	1,719	2,042	18.8%	0.1%	0.1%
Paper, Paperboard - exc. Newsprint	463	726	56.7%	2,236	2,725	21.9%	0.1%	0.2%
Other	520	209	-59.9%	1,451	948	-34.7%	0.1%	0.1%
AGRICULTURE AND FOOD OTHER THAN FISH	8,794	17,663	100.9%	39,501	96,285	143.8%	2.3%	6.4%
Fruit and Nuts	634	662	4.4%	5,497	3,966	-27.9%	0.3%	0.3%
Vegetables	3	0	-100.0%	40	13	-68.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	8,157	17,002	108.4%	33,984	92,307	171.8%	2.0%	6.2%
FISH PRODUCTS	24,179	22,793	-5.7%	49,883	46,319	-7.1%	2.9%	3.1%
Whole Fish; Fresh, Ch'd, Froz. exc Salmon	2,837	2,219	-21.8%	9,802	10,922	11.4%	0.6%	0.7%
Whole Salmon; Fresh, Chilled, Frozen	1,442	406	-71.8%	6,620	3,975	-40.0%	0.4%	0.3%
Salmon; Fillets, Canned, Smoked, etc.	1	0	-58.1%	159	176	10.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	19,900	20,168	1.3%	33,302	31,247	-6.2%	1.9%	2.1%
METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS	190,864	45,906	-75.4%	563,444	230,676	-59.1%	32.5%	15.4%
Copper Ores and Concentrates	119,671	36,227	-69.7%	302,615	145,093	-52.1%	17.5%	9.7%
Molybdenum Ores and Concentrates	16,114	1,655	-89.7%	59,551	7,031	-88.2%	3.4%	0.5%
Unwrought Aluminum	52,409	7,936	-84.9%	182,724	71,319	-61,0%	10.5%	4.8%
Unwrought Zinc	0	241	NA	2,300	1,544	-32.9%	0.1%	0.1%
Other	2,669	847	-68.3%	16,255	5,688	-65.0%	0.9%	0.4%
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	749	51	-93.2%	5,460	1,106	-79.7%	0.3%	0.1%
ENERGY PRODUCTS	197,304	74,082	-62.5%	515,037	697,562	35.4%	29.7%	46.6%
Natural Gas	0	0	NA	0	0	NA.	0.0%	0.0%
Coal	197,292	73,957	-62.5%	514,932	697,069	35.4%	29.7%	46.5%
Electricity	0	125	NA 939.6%	106	493	NA 366.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	12	123	939.076	100	493	300.3%	0.0%	0.0%
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	12,495	2,038	-83.7%	22,752	14,607	-35.8%	1.3%	1.0%
Motor Vehicles and Parts	52	239	362.8%	286	1,543	439.7%	0.0%	0.1%
Electrical/Electronic/Communications	669	601	-10.2%	3,054	4,959	62.4%	0.2%	0.3%
Scientific/Photographic/Measuring Equip., etc.	167	334	100.4%	2,749	1,261	-54.2%	0.2%	0.1%
Other	11,607	863	-92.6%	16,662	6,845	-58.9%	1.0%	0.5%
PLASTICS AND ARTICLES OF PLASTIC	99	61	-38.4%	447	279	-37.5%	0.0%	0.0%
CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	4,289	5,140	19.8%	18,062	23,128	28.1%	1.0%	1.5%
APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES	8	47	487.8%	858	988	15.2%	0.0%	0.1%
TEXTILES	6	1	-90.3%	47	26	-44.6%	0.0%	0.0%
ALL OTHER COMMODITIES	309	328	6.3%	1,919	1,974	2.8%	0.1%	0.1%
GRAND TOTAL	569,494	239,597	-57.9%	1,732,999	1,498,338	-13.5%	100.0%	100.0%

## B.C. ORIGIN EXPORTS TO THE EUROPEAN UNION (2007 membership)\* - SELECTED COMMODITIES -

	OLL	MAY		YEAR-TO-DATE				
		MAI	CHANGE		TEAN	CHANGE	SH	ARE
	2008	2009	2008-09	2008	2009	2008-09	2008	2009
	(\$,000)	(\$,000)	(%)	(\$,000)	(\$,000)	(%)	(%)	(%)
SOLID WOOD PRODUCTS	37,191	19,483	-47.6%	154,928	104,632	-32.5%	16.7%	15.8%
Lumber (softwood)	25,330	12,831	-49.3%	104,682	61,453	-41.3%	11.3%	9.3%
Cedar Shakes and Shingles	1,382	308	-77.7%	4,821	2,291	-52.5%	0.5%	0.3%
Plywood and Veneer (softwood)	1,637	297	-81.8%	8,038	2,683	-66.6%	0.9%	0.4%
Other Panel Products	59	8	-86.2%	1,122	184	-83.6%	0.1%	0.0%
Selected Value Added Wood Products	1,701	951	-44.1%	3,658	2,365	-35.3%	0.4%	0.4%
Logs	0	34	NA	0	34	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Other	7,082	5,053	-28.6%	32,606	35,621	9.2%	3.5%	5.4%
PULP AND PAPER PRODUCTS	31,824	19,619	-38.4%	183,826	115,037	-37.4%	19.8%	17.3%
Pulp	26,938	16,134	-40.1%	158,960	91,304	-42.6%	17.1%	13.8%
Newsprint	0	0	NA	106	0	-100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Paper, Paperboard - exc. Newsprint	4,873	3,443	-29.4%	24,492	23,134	-5.5%	2.6%	3.5%
Other	13	43	228.8%	268	599	123.4%	0.0%	0.1%
AGRICULTURE AND FOOD OTHER THAN FISH	1,896	1,529	-19.3%	11,511	8,967	-22.1%	1.2%	1.4%
Fruit and Nuts	81	93	15.9%	264	528	99.6%	0.0%	0.1%
Vegetables	29	9	-69.9%	191	13	-93.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	1,786	1,427	-20.1%	11,056	8,427	-23.8%	1.2%	1.3%
FISH PRODUCTS	4,120	2,864	-30.5%	20,705	14,084	-32.0%	2.2%	2.1%
Whole Fish, Fresh, Ch'd, Froz. exc Salmon	1,400	950	-32.2%	3,923	2,595	-33.9%	0.4%	0.4%
Whole Salmon; Fresh, Chilled, Frozen	99	76	-23.4%	2,037	1,591	-21.9%	0.2%	0.2%
Salmon; Fillets, Canned, Smoked, etc.	2,398	1,534	-36.0%	13,668	8,879	-35.0%	1.5%	1.3%
Other	223	304	36.4%	1,077	1,018	-5.4%	0.1%	0.2%
METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS	13,887	7,281	-47.6%	86,700	39,617	-54.3%	9.3%	6.0%
Copper Ores and Concentrates	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Molybdenum Ores and Concentrates	12,404	7,089	-42.8%	66,140	37,145	-43.8%	7.1%	5.6%
Unwrought Aluminum	7	0	-100.0%	1,060	1,386	30.9%	0.1%	0.2%
Unwrought Zinc	0	0	NA	4,134	0	-100.0%	0.4%	0.0%
Other	1,476	192	-87.0%	15,366	1,086	-92.9%	1.7%	0.2%
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	1,417	1,030	-27.3%	5,774	5,005	-13.3%	0.6%	0.8%
ENERGY PRODUCTS	52,460	31,286	-40.4%	247,240	202,440	-18.1%	26.6%	30.5%
Natural Gas	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Coal	52,452	31,272	-40.4%	247,189	202,406	-18.1%	26.6%	30.5%
Electricity	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0.0%	0.0%
Other	8	15	78.0%	50	34	-31.8%	0.0%	0.0%
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	33,191	24,750	-25.4%	167,628	131,796	-21.4%	18.0%	19.9%
Motor Vehicles and Parts	662	733	10.7%	4,053	4,106	1.3%	0.4%	0.6%
Electrical/Electronic/Communications	9,809	5,062	-48.4%	53,706	38,105	-29.0%	5.8%	5.7%
Scientific/Photographic/Measuring Equip , etc.	7,140	5,600	-21.6%	30,554	26,074	-14.7%	3.3%	3.9%
Other	15,580	13,354	-14.3%	79,316	63,511	-19.9%	8.5%	9.6%
PLASTICS AND ARTICLES OF PLASTIC	1,183	446	-62.3%	3,115	3,102	-0.4%	0.3%	0.5%
CHEMICALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3,709	3,338	-10.0%	17,001	16,871	-0.8%	1.8%	2.5%
APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES	400	449	12.1%	5,638	3,031	-46.2%	0.6%	0.5%
TEXTILES	192	198	2.8%	1,342	1,086	-19.0%	0.1%	0.2%
ALL OTHER COMMODITIES	5,322	4,021	-24.5%	24,972	17,819	-28.6%	2.7%	2.7%
GRAND TOTAL	186,794	116,295	-37.7%	930,378	663,487	-28.7%	100.0%	100.0%

<sup>\*</sup> Note that as of January 1, 2007 the European Union expanded to include two new members: Bulgaria and Romania. These figures include those countries.

